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The Honorable Jeff Sessions
Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001

Dear Attorney General Sessions:

As the Administration continues to help the people of Venezuela take back their country from authoritarian dictators, I am writing to request the Administration help the people of the United States by investigating the status of teleSUR TV under the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA). The teleSUR network appears to act under foreign direction and engages in political activities in the interest of its foreign principal, primarily the government of Venezuela.

The teleSUR TV network is to Venezuela what Russia Today is to Russia; a propaganda outfit masquerading as a news organization broadcasting information that undermines U.S. interests in Latin America and throughout the world. Access to the United States market is a privilege, not a right and the American taxpayers deserve to know if teleSUR affiliates in the United States are acting as foreign agents of a foreign government such as Venezuela. If they are, they must obey the law and register under FARA.

While the Administration begins its review of this matter, I would like a preliminary briefing on this request next week to discuss the parameters of this request as well as to discuss next steps.

Sincerely,



JOE WILSON
Member of Congress